

## COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## MEDIA ADVISORY

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## LOCAL ASSISTANCE CENTERS OPEN SATURDAY Firestorm Victims Can Still Get Help at the LACs and Visit Mobile Libraries Next Week

The County of San Diego Local Assistance Centers (LACs) in Alpine, Ramona and Valley Center will be open Saturday, Nov. 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Monday through Friday, Nov. 17 – 21, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The LACs will be closed on Sundays.

County residents affected by the recent firestorm can still register with FEMA and obtain valuable information and immediate monetary assistance from state and local agencies at the LACs.

Additionally, the County's Mobile Libraries will be available in Alpine and Ramona, not far from the LACs. Reference materials and library services will be available. Books will also be given away to fire victims to help rebuild their personal collections.

Alpine Community Center 1830 Alpine Blvd. Mondays, Nov. 11 & 24 2 – 4 p.m.

Collier County Park 626 E. Street, Ramona Mondays, Nov. 17 & 24 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

The Valley Center County Library Branch, 29200 Cole Grade Rd., will have special extended hours on Mondays, November 17 & 24<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., as well as be open during its normal hours: Tuesday - 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday - 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Reference materials and other library services, including Internet access, are available at the Valley Center County Library Branch.

The three LACs are at the Alpine Creek Shopping Center, 1327 Tavern Road, Suite 30; 325 Sixth Street in Ramona and at 28565 Cole Grade Road in Valley Center.

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